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ATTENTION ASSISTANT SECRETARY POPPER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, COLR, XF, UN

SUBJ: NIGHT REACH: QUESTION OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR US  
AIRLIFT FOR UNEF

REF: STATE 215051, USUN 4420 AND 4440

1. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH UN ON CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH US  
WOULD SUPPLY AND AIRLIFT HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR UNEF, ONE  
POTENTIALLY SERIOUS PROBLEM HAS COME UP. THIS IS WHETHER  
US INTENDS TO CHARGE UN FOR AIRLIFT SERVICES OTHER THAN  
THOS INVOLVING US HEAVY EUQIPMENT, I. E. LIFTS OF FINNISH  
AND IRISH TROOPS, CARGO FROM PISA AND FUTURE AIRLIFTS OF  
THIS NATURE.

2. UNSYG HAS ISSUED EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS TO HIS FIELD  
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OPERATIONS SERVICE THAT NO AIRLIFT OFFERS ARE TO BE

ACCEPTED WHICH REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT. BRITISH HAVE ALREADY BEEN TURNED DOWN BECAUSE THEY INSISTED ON BEING REIMBURSED (USUN 4420, PARA. 6). ASIDE FROM U.S., ONLY U.S.S.R. IS PROVIDING AIRLIFT WITHOUT CHARGE (USUN 4440).

3. WE RECOGNIZE THAT POSSIBILITY RAISED IN STATE REFTTEL OF REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT FOR AIRLIFT SERVICES APPLIES TO LIFTS OF US HEAVY EQUIPMENT. (THIS KIND OF LIFT, UN CONFIRMED TO US NOV. 3, IS NOT INCLUDED IN SYG PROHIBITION AGAINST REIMBURSEMENT.) WE NEVERTHELESS WANT TO BE CERTAIN THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING THAT FINNISH, IRISH AND PISA AIRLIFTS, AS WELL AS FUTURE LIFTS OF THIS KIND, ARE BEING PROVIDED WITHOUT CHARGE.

4. NUMBER OF REASONS SEEM TO US TO ARGUE STRONGLY FOR NOT REQUIRING PAYMENT FOR LATTER CATEGORY OF LIFT.

A. UN HAS BEEN OPERATING ON ASSUMPTION THAT AMB. SCALI'S OCT. 25 STATEMENT TO SC OFFERING "TO BE HELPFUL IN FACILITATING THE TRANSPORTATION OF THE FORCE TO THE AREA," INCLUDED IN SPEECH ON DEPT'S INSTRUCTIONS, MEANT THAT TRANSPORTATION WAS BEING OFFERED WITHOUT CHARGE. PAST US PRACTICE IN TRANSPORTING TROOPS TO ONUC, UNEF, ETC. RE-ENFORCED THIS ASSUMPTION.

B. ACCEPTANCE OF US OFFERS IN CASES OF FINNISH, IRISH AND PISA LIFTS WAS ON BASIS OF BELIEF THEY WOULD BE FREE. NO MATTER WHAT FUTURE POLICY IS THERE SEEMS TO US NO QUESTION THAT US SHOULD PROVIDE THESE WITHOUT CHARGE.

C. SYG WENT TO UNUSUAL LENGTHS, AT OUR REQUEST, TO PERSUADE EGYPT TO GRANT US MILITARY AIRCRAFT CLEARANCE TO LAND IN CAIRO. IT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE, AFTER THESE EFFORTS, TO HAVE TO CALL OFF FUTURE FLIGHTS BECAUSE WE WERE UNWILLING TO PAY FOR THEM.

D. ASSUME THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL POLITICAL ADVANTAGES TO FLYING INTO CAIRO. DEMANDING REIMBURSEMENT WOULD LEAVE FIELD ENTIRELY TO SOVIETS ONCE AGAIN,

5. REQUEST PERMISSION INFORM UN THAT AIRLIFTS FOR TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT TO GET UNEF IN PLACE WILL NOT REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT.

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